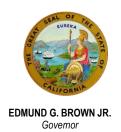


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TO: General Acute Care Hospitals

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Special Hospitals

SUBJECT: Adverse Event Reporting Timeframe

Health and Safety Code Section 1279.1 delineates adverse events reportable by hospitals to the California Department of Public Health and when these events must be reported.

These requirements became effective July 1, 2007. Hospitals are therefore not required to report adverse events that occurred before that date.

If you have any questions, please contact your local District Office.

Sincerely,

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